

Hello Graduate and Credential Students,

Welcome new and returning students to Sacramento State for the fall 2026 semester. As you embark on this new term, we hope you take the opportunity to build connections with faculty, fellow students and the Hornet community. Strengthening your network supports your academic, professional and personal growth.

Please visit the [Office of Graduate Studies](#) for information on how to [Contact Us](#) for information and [updates](#), deadlines, current/future [events](#). Also, follow us on our [Instagram](#) for timely updates on events. In addition, check out [Graduate Excellence and Engagement Program](#) (GEEP). GEEP helps students explore, prepare for and succeed in graduate education. Visit GEEP to find the right opportunities for you and [Explore Grants and Awards](#).

If you want to build the skills valued by employers, check out the [CSU Graduate Career Readiness](#) a self-paced eight-module program that is available to all CSU graduate students.

Are you looking to get involved and collaborate with the graduate student community? If yes, consider joining the [Graduate Student Advisory Council \(GSAC\)](#). GSAC represents the interests of graduate and professional students at Sacramento State. If you are interested in being the GSAC representative for your graduate program, please contact your Graduate Coordinator and/or the Office of Graduate Studies for more information.

Also, please be sure to check out the Grad Corner in the Hornet Weekly (on your MySacState Student Center or check your CSU email from the Hornet Weekly on Tuesdays) for the most current announcements, events and important deadlines.

As reminder, October 1, 2026, is the deadline to submit the following forms:

- Application for Graduation (for Fall 2026 graduation)
- Advancement to Candidacy (to advance for Spring 2027)
- Application for Classification (to be reclassified for Spring 2027).

The staff in Office of Graduate Studies is here to support you. Our office is in River Front Center Room 215 and we can be reached:

- Monday – Friday from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. [in person and by phone (916) 278-6470]
- Monday – Friday from 5 p.m. – 6 p.m. via [zoom](#) (meeting password: OGS)
- Email:
 - ogs@csus.edu (for general questions)
 - grad_admissions@csus.edu (for admissions inquiries)
 - grad_degreeservices@csus.edu (current student inquiries on degree requirements, forms and processes, etc.).

We want you to enjoy this journey and wish you the best as you transform your life through your dedication in your studies.

Best,

Stephanie Storms, Interim Dean



Sharon Furtak, Associate Dean



Malee Xiong, Graduate Center Coordinator